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SUBJECT: ELECTRICAL ENERGY SYSTEMS TRADE MISSION

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1.SIN RESPONSE TO REF A, WE HAVE TRIED TO ARRANGE THE FOLLOWING
SCHEDULE FOR THE TRADE MISSION (TM):

FEBRUARY 4 - SATURDAY:

0900 CALL AT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

0930 CALL ON MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS ABDUL HAFIDH SALIM RAJAB

1000 BRIEFING BY UNDERSECRETARY OF MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
SALIM AHMAD KHALFAN

1100 CALL ON MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY MUHAMMAD
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1230 BRIEFING BY GENERAL SECRETARY OF DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
DR. SHARIF LOTFY

FEBRUARY 5 - SUNDAY

0900 CALL ON MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS QAIS
ZAWAWI

BALANCE OF DAY FOR INDIVIDUAL CALLS

1700 CHECK OUT OF GULF HOTEL

CALLS ON MINISTERS WILL BE MADE BY AMBASSADOR, TM DIRECTOR,
AND REVOLVING SET OF THREE OFFICIALS FROM THE PARTICIPATING COM-
PANIES. PLEASE EXPLAIN THIS RATIONALE, AS PER REF A, AT JAN. 25
BRIEFING.

2. THIS TENTATIVE SCHEDULE HAS BEEN ARRANGED TO MINIMIZE
TRANSIT TIME, BUT THE CALLS ON THE MINISTERS HAVE YET TO BE
CONFIRMED AND MAY HAVE TO BE SHIFTED. IF THIS HAPPENS, TIME
AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUAL CALLS WILL BE REDUCED CONSIDERABLY.
WE WILL ALSO BE TRYING TO SCHEDULE A BRIEFING BY THE DIRECTOR
GENERAL OF INDUSTRIES, HOPEFULLY TO FOLLOW THE CALL ON THE

MINISTER OF COMMERCE.

3. TM MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO BRING PIN-ON BUSINESS CARD
OR NAME TAG HOLDERS FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES AT FEB 4
RECEPTION WITH THEM AS SUCH ITEMS ARE NOT AVAILABLE LOCALLY.

4. EMBASSY NOW HAS RECEIVED BROCHURES FROM ALL PARTICIPATING
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TM COMPANIES EXCEPT FOR ALLIS CHALMERS AND SPANNING RESEARCH,
ALTHOUGH SOME BACKGROUND ON THE LATTER WAS SUPPLIED BY REF C.
SINCE SOME OF THE COMPANIES' MATERIALS ARE ADDRESSED TO
TM PARTICIPANTS OR MARKED "HOLD FOR ARRIVAL" EMBASSY
ASSUMES THESE MATERIALS ARE NOT TO BE DISTRIBUTED IN ADVANCE.
PLEASE ADVISE IF THIS IS NOT THE CASE. WE HAVE, HOWEVER,
ALREADY BEGUN DISTRIBUTING USDOC TM BROCHURES.

5. PLEASE ADVISE IF SHELLER AND SMITH CARRY THE SAME TITLES
AS GROGAN AND VAN DER LINDEN, WHO THEY REPLACED.

6. RE HOTEL RESERVATIONS, THE EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE GULF
HOTEL LIST OF NAMES FROM REF B AND RECONFIRM REQUEST FOR SINGLE
ROOMS, NOW 14 RATHER THAN 15, PLUS SUITE FOR TM DIRECTOR.
THIS SHOULD RESOLVE ANY CONFUSION, BUT WE REMAIN PERPLEXED
BECAUSE GULF HOTEL NOW TELLS US THEY HAVE HEARD FROM AMERICAN
EXPRESS.
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